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UTM Budget Totals \$17.9 Million

By NIKKI HARTSELL
Copy Editor

Editor's Note: This is the first of a two-part series on the UTM budget for fiscal year 1980-81. Most figures are rounded off.

Tennessee allocates approximately eight and one-half percent of the total state budget to higher education (colleges and universities) each year. For the 1980-81 fiscal year, UTM received less than three percent of the total higher education allocation.

In dollars and percentages, \$328.8 million went to higher

education, with UTM receiving \$8.7 million, or 48.9 percent of UTM's total budget revenues coming from the state, leaving sales and services of auxiliary enterprises and educational

majority of that remainder with 29.6 percent of the total revenues; 20.4 percent from tuition and fees; gifts, grants and contracts, 0.9 percent; and other services account for the remaining 0.2

the actual cost at a particular institution.

Basing the formula request on the cost-study has indirectly led to another problem, Gross says. At least since 1972, Tennessee has not

division and 19,871 in upper division. These credit hours are multiplied by the statewide average rates determined by the cost-study; this is the amount requested by the institution.

Academic support, which includes the computer center, graduate and academic affairs offices, the day care center, television station and WUTM, is funded at 1.7 percent of the instruction expenses, plus revenue. The library, although technically a part of academic support, is funded separately at fixed rates for the number of SCH generated, with different rates for upper and lower division courses.

Student services are funded at a fixed rate of \$147 per headcount student, based on projected enrollment. UTM will be funded for 5,275, based on enrollment figures for Fall Quarter 1980 of 5,375. In addition, UTM receives \$300,000 for athletics. Student services includes such areas as the undergraduate life office, placement, counseling, financial aid administration, Student Health Services, SGA, the Spirit and The Pacer.

Other funding is based on flat sums or fixed rates depending on any of number of factors that vary from institution to institution.

Once all these figures are arrived at, UTM submits its formula request to THEC. THEC takes the request and makes adjustments for inflation and faculty salary increases, among other things. THEC's recommendation goes to the governor, who makes a recommendation to the state legislature, which appropriates the money.

Once the total appropriation is made, according to Gross, the funds may be spent where they are needed; they are not required to be disbursed by the categories by which they were appropriated. If that were required, Gross says, each institution would be locked into the same spendable amounts when the costs are not the same.

Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises encompass all money received by University housing, including University Courts and Grove Apartments; food services; the bookstore; student telephone service; and the Parking Authority, which is the money from parking permits and traffic fines. Sales and services of educational activities include varsity athletics and Happy House.

Next week, the second part of this series will deal with the University's expenditures.

'Tennessee has as complicated a formula as you'll find anywhere in the nation.'

—Gross

activities; tuition and fees; and gifts, grants and contracts to supply the other 51.1 percent for a total of \$17.9 million.

Sales and services made up the

percent.

The amount of the state appropriation is initially based on a request submitted by UTM to the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC) that is prepared according to a formula derived by THEC, according to Dr. Francis M. Gross, vice chancellor for business and finance.

"Tennessee has as complicated a formula as you'll find anywhere in the nation," Gross says.

Each state-supported college and university in Tennessee does a cost-study of instruction every two years. The study is broken down into costs of upper and lower division courses by subject area. The figures from all the institutions are averaged; these are the rates, after an inflation factor has been added, at which all schools are funded, regardless of

actually appropriated the total amount of money that THEC has recommended for UTM, or has not "funded the formula." The highest percentage since 1972 was 99.5 percent in 1973-74; the actual appropriation for 1980-81 was 87.4 percent. When the state does not fund the formula, Gross says, the institutions have to cut back on costs. "When new cost-studies are made, costs are lower, which leads to less funding, thus creating a downward spiral."

In making the formula request, each function has a specific formula to use to arrive at the request. Funding for instruction is based on the cost-study. Each subject area is divided into upper and lower division courses and the number of student credit hours (SCH) generated in each level is determined. Total hours for 1981-82 funding are 49,380 in lower

AAUP Is Testing Chancellor's Decision

By MIKE VAUGHN
News Editor

The Chancellor's decision to deny Bonnie Hernon tenure is being tested by the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) and UTM chapter of AAUP. In a recent letter to Chancellor Charles Smith, AAUP President Ernest Blythe said that the Hernon decision effects all professors and that "it would be very disturbing if the UTM administration were to ignore entreaties and leave in doubt its long standing endorsement of AAUP guidelines concerning promotion and tenure."

In response to the AAUP letter, Smith replied, "As explained in my remarks last month to the UT Martin AAUP, my decision-making on matters such as faculty appeals shall be guided by the 'Faculty Handbook'."

Smith continued, "To the extent that the Handbook may be inconsistent with AAUP guidelines, my position is that such differences should be debated and resolved at the time of the

Handbook revisions or updates, and not in the emotion-laden context of an individual grievance."

Blythe reported that both the national and local chapters of AAUP have written Vice Chancellor Milton Simmons to express concern over the "violation of AAUP guidelines in the handling of Mrs. Hernon's faculty status."

In the letter addressed to Smith, Blythe cited violations in Mrs. Hernon's faculty probation period, employment status, and said, "there are too many inconsistencies concerning exactly when her tenure track appointment began."

"For the good of the University, we ask that you reaffirm the commitment to AAUP guidelines enunciated by Dr. Trentham as provost when he wrote that when a temporary position is continued beyond a reasonable period, it should be decided if the position is actually temporary or a continuing one," Blythe told Smith.

"We are disturbed by the prospect that your administration might be equivocal in its endorsement of AAUP guidelines concerning promotion and tenure," he continued.

Blythe expressed concern for several full-time faculty who hold limited term appointments.

Blythe also stated that the AAUP would support Hernon should she carry her grievance to another level.

UTM To Present Spring Opera May 29 and 30

UTM will present the annual spring Opera Theatre Production May 29-30.

Marilyn Jewett, UTM associate professor of music and "Opera Gala" director, said the 8 p.m. performances in the Harriet Fulton Performing Arts Theatre of UTM's Fine Arts Building will be held to celebrate the Opera Theatre's 10th anniversary of performances.

Featured will be performances of Menotti's Comic Opera "The Telephone" and scenes from Gounod's "Faust," Bellini's "Norma" and Bizet's "The Pearl Fishers."

Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for students and children under 12 and go on sale Monday, May 25, at the University Center Information Desk.

UTM students participating in the production are Robin Aston of Paris; Sara Beth Head of Springfield; Wesley Emerson of Ripley; Jeff Cozzens of Collierville; and Nancy Collins of Paris.

Guest performers will include Rita Winter of Union City; Terence Williamson of Memphis; Dr. Gilbert Jones III of Martin; and Charles Billings of Memphis.

Over 100 Awards Will Be Given On Honors Day

More than 100 academic and achievement awards will be presented Sunday, May 24, during the annual Honors Day ceremony.

Thirty school and departmental awards and 75 program awards will be given during the 2 p.m. program in UTM's University Center Ballroom.

Dr. Sam Nunn, Tennessee State University professor of history, will be the featured speaker. His topic will be "Honor and Excellence." UT Chancellor Charles E. Smith will preside over the ceremony.

Sandra Gossum, assistant professor of mathematics and computer science and program coordinator, said the annual event is designed to give University and community-wide recognition to students who have made outstanding achievement in various areas.

Jack the Pony Pulled Wet Sand

By JUDY REGISTER
Features Editor

For a month or so Lydell Sims of the "Commercial Appeal" has in his column "Assignment Memphis" been thrashing over quite a problem.

It seems that former state senator J. Weldon Burrows wrote into Sims asking his SLURP (Sims Laboratory of Unusual Research Problems) to answer a question for him.

When Burrows was a small lad going to the state and county fairs, he would see a lot of "slickers" getting people to make bets on their horses.

According to Burrows, this was the problem posed: 1. Is a bag of sand heavier when it's dry or when it's wet? 2. Can a horse pull a bushel bag of sand with a six-foot rope and the same sand bag with a 300-foot rope?

"Back when I was a lad,"

explained Burrows, "the people at the state fairs usually bet on their horse. But the horse was never able to pull the sand bag with the 300 foot of rope."

Well, Dr. Charles Ogilvie of the department of history at UTM decided to have one of his classes find out about the horse.

"The class is a park and recreation course designed to help students become guides in state or federal parks," Ogilvie said.



Ogilvie decided that his class would set up this "Folklore" test as a media event.

On Wednesday, May 13, on the UTM Quadrangle at high noon there were approximately 200 spectators, a six-foot rope, a 300-foot rope, a bushel bag of sand, an antique set of cotton scales, five gallons of water and Jack.

"Jack is my pony," commented Ogilvie. "He's a cross between quarter horses and Shetland ponies. Jack is the size of the type pony which the settlers would have had."

Well in the presence of Chancellor Charles E. Smith; Tom McCuthen, superintendent of the agricultural station; and Burrow, the originator of the question, Jack quite easily pulled the 196-pound bag of sand on a six-foot rope.

Now, the moment many have awaited: the 300-foot rope and the 196 pound bag of sand.

Before the signal was even given for Jack to start, he was pulling the bag of sand away from the chancellor's feet and across the quadrangle.

The spectators started cheering as Jack kept on pulling.

Burrows commented after it was all over, "The horses of 1930 couldn't do it, but since then we've put a man on the moon and discovered atomic power. Besides, back then everyone would tell the horse that he couldn't do it. We didn't tell Jack that he couldn't do it, so he did it. I'm really glad, too!"

According to Ogilvie, "The 'slickers' at the state and county fairs must have done something else to make the horse unable to pull the sand, because we went by the rules, and Jack did it."

One of the spectators, UTM professor Phil Lavelly, had one additional comment to make as the newspaper-photographers were snapping pictures of Jack with his hoof on top of the sand bag. "We've proved that sand is heavier wet; we've proved that Jack can pull the sand bag with a six-foot rope and a 300-foot rope, but can Dr. Ogilvie pull the same bag of sand with 300-feet of rope?"

Pacer Editorials

UTM's Social Sorority Should Be Commended

Service is its motto and service is exactly what Gamma Sigma Sigma Sorority provides for UTM and the surrounding area.

UTM's only service sorority provides events throughout the academic year for needy organizations.

Foremost in our minds is All-Sing, which netted \$1,701.31 and the baby contest and its \$40 proceeds.

Proceeds from All-Sing went to the Happy House Day Care Center and the Kidney Dialysis Center in Union City benefited from the baby contest.

Compared to the amounts raised by Alpha Phi Omega's Push for St. Jude and various national charity organizations, Gamma Sigma Sigma's

proceeds seem small.

They might indeed be small but when you think of the long range effects of the uses of the money by the Happy House, size is of no importance.

Perhaps the cliché "it's the thought that counts" would be appropriate to remember before any comparisons are made.

While the Happy House and Kidney Dialysis Center were the primary beneficiaries of these latest Gamma Sigma Sigma sponsored events, they are not the only ones to benefit.

We, the students, faculty and administration of UTM as well as area residents benefitted as well, through the entertainment, publicity and awards.



To The Editor

UTM Desk Worker Replies to Article

Dear Editors:

"...To any dorm switchboard operators who take their time answering calls and then when they do answer calls they either lose them or leave them on hold for too long."

The previous paragraph was a Thumbs Down item in the April 23, 1981 issue of The Pacer newspaper. I am a desk operator. Notice, desk operator and not switchboard operator as referred to by The Pacer. Deskworker would be a more correct title, because I work the desk, not the switchboard, which incidentally, has become an obsolete item on the UTM campus.

I am sure I speak for all deskworkers when I say we not only have to answer the phone, but also attend the needs of those who need a room number of a resident; wish to leave a package at the desk for a resident; wish to utilize dormitory equipment, especially during warm weather; need to report the loss of money in various dormitory machines; need to report repairs needed in rooms and/or throughout the dorm.

We also have to: clean the desk counter or newspapers left after some inconsiderate student(s) failed to return it after reading it; correct mail that has been unintentionally placed in the wrong mailbox; give directions to visitors to various areas around the campus and Martin vicinity; sign for special deliveries such as UPS, to the dorm for residents; page residents for visitors; notify a resident that they have a package at the desk; transfer calls to residents.

Let me add, we can only transfer one call at a time. This process includes transferring a call, listening for rings, connecting back to the caller, if necessary, to tell him either there was no answer, or the line was busy, or the phone was on do-not-disturb and then take a message if requested; explain to parents that we do not know where their children are nor do we know when they will return; explain the process of the message board to callers; take messages for residents explain to the caller that we cannot call a resident over the intercom system to have him take his phone off of do-not-disturb.

And after all this, we must be courteous and gracious to visitors, residents and callers.

As for losing a phone call: Do you actually think we sit at the desk and say, "I'm going to lose this call; I can hardly wait!" I personally know this is a waste of my time.

being a more considerate and a more logically thinking person would not play such games. Anyway, it does not benefit me any. Nine times out of ten, the computer system fouls up calls after the deskworker has gone through the proper procedures to transfer a call.

So we put you on hold for too long—huh? It takes time for the call to transfer. Then even more time for ringing or do you prefer we let it ring once or twice not allowing it to give the callee time to answer?

Need I say more?

Sincerely,
Angela Patricia Crittenden
Personnel & Human Resources Management Senior

Discrimination Discussed

Column

By Donna Phelps

The class members of History 4712, The History of Women, are very pleased as they discuss the article that Aaron Hughey wrote on "Sex Role Stereotyping." This article is written by each student in agreement with what Hughey wrote, that sexual discrimination is rampant and doing well!

Helen Nolan took it upon herself to poll a representative number of students and found nothing but apathy for women's right. She wrote, "Many people are concerned about the environment, religion and politics, but concerning liberation, I find much apathy." Ms. Nolan also commented that the assumption that women here at UTM are not discriminated against accounts for the general lack of concern. Some women even view themselves as discriminated creatures. The cold hard fact about this is that they just don't know any better. Ms. Nolan feels that discrimination in any capacity is an injustice.

Rita Clemons wrote of how women are discriminated against after they leave their educational surrounding. She writes, "A great many (women) do not realize that when they graduate and apply for jobs, they may be discriminated against. There are a number of different types of discriminations and almost every woman on this campus, at some time in her career, will meet this ugly reality. They may be given lower level jobs than what they are qualified for; they will be passed over in promotions; they will receive lower pay than men on an equal job basis; they may be sexually harassed on their jobs; or they may be hired as a token woman."

I decided to view the

stigma that society places on the married woman. I write that "many people in today's society think that woman's role in a marriage is secondary to the man's. The man is supposed to be the breadwinner. This is all ridiculous! More women today acquire an education in order to make occupational advances where they are necessary. When women enter into a marriage, the traditional stigma placed on the woman by society

suggests that all things concerning her career are secondary to the characteristics associated with the role of wife. This is all changing, and society had better prepare to accept the inevitable reform. More and more cooks are men; more and more breadwinners are women. There have even been instances where the husband, upon his own decision, stays home, cooks, cleans and rears the children. So you think this is the exception to the rule? Perhaps this is right, but change is in the future."

"Discrimination within a marriage is all an attitude. Attitudes can change; roles are changing. The unity of women today has strengthened. Today's woman is strong, bright, ambitious while patient, gentle and full of feeling. Women are essentially what they were 200 years ago except for one major difference—women today have the drive to go forth and succeed without the direction of her spouse. This alone is a step forward!"

The men of History 4712 have put forth many ideas about the issues of women. Andy Culbreath views his own marriage: "In my own marriage, my wife and I have 'equal responsibilities.'"

He chooses to use the term "equal responsibilities" rather than power or rule.

arguments over authority. He continues, "I believe duties in a marriage should be an equal responsibility. Marriage itself is defined as a close union between two people. It says nothing about one person ruling or only one person responsible. It is not a union of master and slave for the purpose of pleasure or work."

Jerry Wiggins seems to think women should wake up and take action. One of the many notions Wiggins feels is important is the woman's right to vote. He feels that women could elect the people to change the laws in favor of women, but one great flaw is the lack of the ability for women to unify themselves. He firmly believes in women's rights and writes to women, "You just cannot sit back in your chains and scream sex discrimination till your face turns blue. Get off your duff! You have got to use your hands, feet and brain for someone to hear your voice!"

Throughout this quarter, Mrs. Doris Tanner, our greatly admired instructor, has led our class in many discussions on women's rights. She mentioned a term called "self-awareness session" where people unite themselves in the effort to discover themselves individually, as individuals with vital purposes in life that are beyond the domestic chores of housework. Women have opportunities; they just need to learn how to respond to opportunities. Women are on a direct line to success. It is time now for society to accept the reality that women are stepping out and nothing can stop us now!

Facts For Aspirin Users

Americans take over 20 billion aspirin tablets a year. Aspirin also is a significant ingredient in many prescription drugs and in over-the-counter medicines such as cough remedies. Daily consumption of aspirin in the country amounts to more than 20 tons. That makes aspirin America's most widely used drug.

Aspirin is a remarkably useful drug. It's well known that it lowers fever temperatures rapidly and it is a superior drug for relieving minor aches and pains. Aspirin is the first drug of choice to reduce the pain and inflammation of rheumatoid arthritis. Its effectiveness in reducing inflammation also makes it important in the treatment of rheumatic fever.

Recent studies have shown that aspirin appears to help reduce the risk of stroke in men who have had attacks in which symptoms suggesting stroke appear and then fade fairly quickly.

Because it is so widely used, people tend to think there are no risks in taking aspirin. It is true that it is relatively safe when used as directed, but, like any other drug, aspirin has a potential for harm. For instance, aspirin can cause heartburn, dyspepsia, stomach discomfort, nausea and vomiting, as well as stomach ulcers, erosion of and bleeding from the lining of the stomach and

even gastrointestinal hemorrhage. Bleeding of the stomach lining causes no obvious effects in most cases, but when aspirin is taken over a long period, there sometimes is enough loss of blood to cause iron deficiency anemia.

Aspirin not only initiates bleeding, but it can prolong bleeding. In the normal individual this causes no problem, but aspirin should be avoided by people who are expecting to undergo surgery or who have vitamin K deficiency or hemophilia. Patients taking anticoagulants—drugs that thin the blood—should avoid aspirin, unless their doctor orders it, as should those who have liver disease. Severe liver damage can limit the production of prothrombin, a blood clotting factor.

Aspirin interferes with blood clotting and, if taken in the last 3 months of pregnancy, can prolong pregnancy and labor and cause bleeding before and after delivery.

As few as 12 tablets of aspirin a day can induce mild poisoning called "salicylism." This condition is characterized by a variety of symptoms including headache, dizziness, ringing in the ears, difficulty in hearing, dimness of vision, and drowsiness. More severe poisoning can dislodge the central nervous system, cause skin eruptions, and alter the acid-base balance,

making the person's breath smell like acetone or nail polish remover. Luckily for the aspirin user, ringing in the ear is a warning sign that too much of the drug has been consumed.

Some people are allergic to aspirin. Even very small amounts can cause minor skin itching, abdominal pain, facial swelling, falling blood pressure, shock and even death. People who are allergic to aspirin are likely to be allergic as well to the yellow food dye tartrazine (FD&C Yellow No. 5).

Aspirin's side effects can be avoided if the drug is used with caution. The recommended adult dose is one or two standard five-grain tablets every four hours, not to exceed 12 tablets in 24 hours. A person taking a nonstandard tablet should be careful not to exceed this maximum daily dose of 60 grains.

Children under the age of two should never be given aspirin except on the advice of a doctor and no children should be given aspirin as a pain reliever for more than five days, or as a fever-reducer for more than three days unless the doctor orders it.

For more information about aspirin, contact your nearest Consumer Affairs Officer of the Food and Drug Administration at 297 Plus Park Boulevard, Nashville, Tennessee 37217.

Three Rules To Follow

Did you know that the temperature on the surface of the sun is a searing 9908.6 degrees F? That even at a distance of 93 million miles, the sun can pour enough energy to actually incinerate skin cells? That you can get a severe sunburn even on gloomy looking days?

The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency would

like to urge all outdoor enthusiasts, including anglers, to use extreme caution when going afield during the sunny summer months. Listed are three basic rules to adhere to when going afield:

The first common sense rule is: DON'T try to do it all at once. When exposed to ultraviolet your skin lays

down a protective pigment called melanin, but it is not a lightning process. A sun exposure of no more than 20 minutes or a half-hour on the

first day will get the process started. Increasing the sun time by about half an hour each day should see your melanin production keep up with the ultraviolet attack.

Remember Tonite's Movie

SGA Dateline

By Mac McClurkan

The legislative branch of your student government, SGA Congress, has played an active role in campus affairs. Back in Fall Quarter, Congress developed the first edition of the Freshman Register, a mini-yearbook with pictures of the incoming freshman class. Everyone really seemed to enjoy it, especially guys who like to "scope-out" freshmen girls (and vice-versa). For those of you who didn't pick one up, we've got a few copies in the SGA office: \$3 hard-bound, \$2 paperback.

During the controversy concerning the student fees increase, your SGA Congress sponsored an extensive letter writing campaign to our state lawmakers in Nashville. The ensuing flood of mail made a definite

impression with the governor, the Tennessee Higher Education Commission and the UT system.

Earlier this month, SGA Congress sponsored the first annual "March of Dimes Superwalk", raising thousands of dollars to fight against birth defects. Keeping track of the 70-80 walkers along the 12-mile route was a big job; even so, it was worth it.

Now, as the year comes to a close, members of Congress are revising the "working philosophy" of our student government—the SGA Constitution. By exam time, a few of the responsibilities, policies and procedures of SGA will be clarified to correct previous problems.

As you know, we have just finished a very exciting campaign season. However, Congress elections are just around the corner. According to the Constitution, Congress elections are to be held no later than the third week of Fall Quarter. For those of you who might be interested in running for a Congress seat, stop by the SGA office anytime—we'll be glad to answer any questions you might have. Even if you don't want to run, stop by anyway...we like the company!

Don't forget "Excalibur" will be showing at the Volunteer Twin Cinema in Union City tonight at 11 for only \$1.75. This is a private showing for UTM students only, so come early and bring your I.D.

I'm sorry it took a car wreck to make me think of my short sightedness as I labored there. Oh yes! I am a paraplegic. I have a long association with UTM's buildings. I helped build the PE Complex, the library, the University Center (I worked in the cafeteria). I put the tennis courts in; the swimming team puts on their meets and shows in a pool I sat up till 2 a.m. watching the concrete set up. I built the dome pool, and was the first person to swim in it. Atrium, G-H, Ellington and McCord all had their share of my time, effort, labor and sweaty skill in them. But I never once thought of anyone in a wheelchair attending UTM, not even when I was putting the finishing touches on married students quarters.

I did make it out there one time. I came to the wrestling matches. I'm afraid I gave about six of Martin and Safety and Security's officers good cause to apply for medical disability. Ms. Jacobson and the other students have it made.

Apparently, they are all normal sized. I, on the other hand, weigh 345 pounds and my chair weighs another 65 or 70.

I noticed the ramp they are installing at the P.E. Complex. Maybe it'll be all right, but anyone over 200 pounds will need help, an electric chair or tilt bars will kill climber brakes to get up. Coming down will be like the opening of the gates at Indy 500. I hope they'll put a rail alongside it. That will help, as many times (rain, snow, ice) it's easier to pull up than push.

My chair is 46 inches let out. I need at least 60 inches of clearance to get around in a relatively small circle. I know the rooms in a dorm are not out for my use. The bathrooms would have to be remodeled almost completely.

As for the food services, I wonder how she would handle a tray, especially if she has spasms as I and so many others do. That's when your legs feel like bouncing up and down or kicking straight out. It can cause one to wish to wait until no one is (at least) three feet in front. But, there is no reason to fret about ramp accommodations. According to federal law, they must be made accessible. Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend UTM. I will go to Memphis State. The people think that because you draw \$600 a month and only live a mile off campus and do not wish to live in a dorm, you don't deserve a grant.

I'm sorry that this letter is so long, but I hope you'll never have any mishaps. But then there are only 16 million of us (para- and quadruplegics) in the age range of potential students for the next ten years. (That will go up by 7,500 by Jan. 1, 1982).

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Handicaps Face a Unique Life

(continued from last week)

Dr. Boren, of the math department is serving as an advisor to the hearing impaired students that come to UTM.

"We're not doing a very good job at serving the hearing impaired students," she commented.

"The departments are 'making do' when a hearing handicapped student comes to the classroom."

Boren attempts to schedule classes for the hearing impaired student with instructors that are sympathetic to the problems faced.

"It is very hard for a person to lip-read around a beard, but obviously you can't expect the staff member to shave his facial hair."

Things that help a deaf student in the classroom are the use of an overhead projector so that the student can see the instructor's face

and the written material at the same time, the seating arrangement of the classroom-the hearing handicapped student needs to sit on the front row where he can see the instructor's lip movements, and finally, the instructor should not hesitate to speak more slowly and repeat information if needed.

For the blind student, accessibility means braille or raised numerals on elevators and special knurled doorknobs that signal danger beyond that door (for example a flight of stairs or mechanical

equipment). Instructors can help a blind student by making verbal instructions more explicit. Making UTM accessible to the blind would not be very costly, as the raised numbers can be bought at Walmart and the knurled doorknobs take no more than a can of gritty or rough paint to apply on the inside of a knob. Let a blind student feel one of these special knobs and all other knobs with this paint would hold a message for him.

And to get back to Walmart, do you think you could handle Walmart in a wheelchair? I tried, and

most of the spaces between counters were too small. I couldn't reach two thirds of the merchandise-the third that was over my head or below me as I sat in the wheelchair... the racks of clothes were at an awkward height for me to reach, and as a final affront to my dignity, I couldn't fit through the check-out stands in the wheelchair. Cindy Free, the brave soul who decided to help me through Walmart, had to put the merchandise on the counter for me while I went around. E.W. James was nice in that it had automated doors, but once again I could not reach most of the merchandise, and the frozen stuff was behind doors that were not automated... once again I had to leave my purchases and wheel around

the long way. I would like to thank all the people who helped me during my time in the wheelchair, the person who fixed my salad in the Brass Rail and Volunteer General

Hospital for loaning me the wheelchair I used. A special thanks to all the professors who have talked slower for me, faced me when they lectured and repeated statements I never heard.



Discovered!

J.J. Jacobson has discovered the pros and cons of wheelchair living.

'Talk is for Lovers' Says Luther In R-Rated 'Excalibur' Movie

By MIKE VAUGHN
News Editor

Lust, Desire, knowledge, allusion, love... Excalibur is not for sissys, as Luther, the father of King

Camelot. This part of the movie requires all of your attention.

If you are easily offended, Excalibur might be too much. King Arthur is the

popcorn.

Excalibur is action packed; a Dark Ages "Star Wars." "Death was but a dream," are the words of Merlin the magician. Excalibur has broken what can not be broken, and the power of all men is lost because King Arthur was vain in his pride to win; all humanity suffers—or so you may see to judge for yourself.

'Lust, Desire, knowledge, allusion, Love'

Arthur says, "Talk is for Lovers." Indeed this R-rated movie, starring Nigel Terry, Helen Morris, and Nicholas Clay, stands out as a battle from the beginning to the end, literally. Excalibur, the mighty sword brought forth to mankind from the depths of sorcery, evolves from a pool and the hand of a mermaid who magically appears from beneath the surface to offer the purest sword to Merlin, by the powers of darkness.

Modern technology places you in the arena of the barbarics who battle each other continuously. The special effects are used to strengthen points of emphasis needed to lead you through the plot. There is plenty of shining armour, fast horses, raging fire, intense human expression, and death.

The battle is between the power of righteousness and darkness. Not only do men of the Dark Ages catapult each other with balls of fire, but as the plot portrays, men battle against the spiritual powers. Excalibur combines all the mysticism of the Dark Ages in 2½ hours. The theme was determined in 1400 A.D., found in a book written by Sir Thomas Mallory entitled L'Morte Darthur. This movie is a true test for the twentieth century mind in comparison to the fourteenth century intelligence.

Excalibur is fast during the first hour. One is thrust from raging battle into a serene setting surrounding

result of a rape, a scene near the beginning of the movie that could be avoided. This might be a good time for

Don't Use 'Not Never', Authors!

Texas Press Association President John Taylor says he offers the following suggestions for new staff members at his newspaper, the Sequin Gazette:

1. Each pronoun should agree with their antecedent.
2. Just between you and I, case is important.
3. Verbs has to agree with their subjects.
4. Watch out for irregular verb which have crope into the language.
5. Don't use no double negatives. Not never.
6. A writer should not shift your point of view.
7. Don't write a run-on sentence you have got to punctuate.
8. About sentence fragments.
9. In articles and stuff like that we use commas to keep things apart without which

we would have without doubt confusion.

10. But, don't use, commas which are not necessary.

11. Its important to use you're apostrophes' correctly.

12. Don't abbreviate

Cast Reflects Dances in 'Mirrors'

By JENNIFER GUTHRIE
Special Assignments Editor

Spirits dancing, reflections and love will take place Friday and Saturday, May 22 and 23 at 8 p.m. in Jim Beshires' play "Mirrors."

There will also be strong language, homosexuality and occultism.

The full-length play, performed in the lab theatre of UTM's Fine Arts building, "deals with the way people are versus the

unless nec.

13. Check carefully to if you any words out.

14. In my opinion, I think that an author when he is writing something should not get accustomed to the habit of making use of too

many redunant unnecessary words that he does not actually really need in order to put his message across to the reader of the article.

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way they think they are," Beshires said. Of 10 cast members, the love story focuses on two whose characteristics are reflected in the ways they are alike and different.

Beshires, the author and director, said "Mirrors" began as a one-act, but the idea expanded into his first full-length play.

It took him one and a half years to write.

With William Snyder,

associate professor of communications and fine arts, advising, Cornelia Seifert as choreographer plus others, Beshires feels he has had professional help.

"Everyone has been working hard," the writer commented, adding he was very impressed with their efforts.

No admission will be charged, but donations accepted.

Seating is limited.

Thumbs:



To Clement Hall staff for sponsoring the cookout last Friday; it was a great success.

To the UTM Rodeo Team for doing so well in the recent rodeo.

To everyone who helped during the Rodeo.

To Four Seasons Florist for taking orders by phone.

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Beard Announces Candidacy

By ALESIA McCLOUD
Student Writer

"All anyone is thinking about is me, me, me, today, today, today," said U.S.



Congressman Beard speaking to over 200 Republicans at the Seventh District Republican meeting Friday night in the University Center.

In his speech, Beard said that all people are affected by the decision government makes and urged his audience to speak out about the issues facing America. He challenged all those at the meeting to commit themselves to getting five more people "mad" about

America's current situation. "We can turn this country around," he added.

Beard, who launched his campaign for U.S. Senator of Tennessee in this historically Democratic area, said America needs to "change directions." He added, "If we do not do this

time, I do not relish the future my children will face."

Currently, America is "at the bottom" in industrial growth, savings per capita, etc. Beard stated. However, he said, "The November elections victories gave America a renewed hope."

He criticized the protection of "fifth" such as child exploitation in the First Amendment, and large governmental deficits.

"This is a historic night," said Tennessee Republican Party Chairman Charles Overby.

Golf Team Shaping Up

University of Tennessee at Martin golf coach Grover Page has announced the signing of Pat Nanney from Sharon, Tenn., and Mike Albonetti of Memphis, Tenn., to scholarship letters at UTM. The pair are Page's fifth and sixth signees of the spring.

Nanney is a 1980 graduate of Westview High School and the son of golf pro Pat K.

Nanney. During his four years at Westview, Nanney saw no shortage of honors. As a senior he finished first in the regional high school tournament and placed second in both the district and state tournaments. Nanney also managed a 15th-place showing in the Prep All-American Tournament held in Tacoma, Wash.

Page indicated that he was looking forward to Nanney's first season as a Pacer. "Pat is probably the best prospect to sign with UTM-Martin in a long time and is without a doubt one of the best golfers in the state." Page went on to say, "he has the ability to be just about as good as he wants to be and we expect him to be one of our top players."

Page also said that he was

pleased at having a player with as large a local following as Nanney. "Since Pat is a local player and the son of a pro golfer, almost everyone is pulling for him to enjoy a successful career at UTM."

Albonetti has also joined the Pacer golf program. Albonetti is a senior at Craigmont High School in Memphis, where he has competed for the past two seasons.

Page said that he was very hopeful about Albonetti's potential. "Mike is an extremely long hitter and has played in a very good league in Memphis area. With the experience that he has gained, he should be able to help us immediately and I feel that he has the potential to develop into a fine player," said Page.



Opera Theatre

Jeff Cussins, Nancy Collins, Gilbert Jones, Sara Beth Head, and Wesley Emerson are shown practicing for next week's Opera Theatre. See story on Page One.

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This spring's intramurals were dominated by softball. Intramural softball is almost over, but it has been a most exciting season. This season produced 55 softball teams, the most ever recorded at UTM.

"With all the rain this month, we've managed to have only one rainout. Overall, the season has been a very productive one,"

commented Intramural Graduate Assistant LaDonna Meuchel.

A post season tournament is now being planned. An important sign-up meeting for this tournament will be Monday, May 25, at 5 p.m. in the student lounge of the PE Complex. The tournament will be a men's and women's single elimination tournament.

Tennis Doubles Planned

Thursday, May 21, is the day to pair up for the Intramural Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament. Sign-up for the tournament is free but at least one representative must be at the organizational meeting today at 5:00 p.m. in the P.E. Student Lounge. Play will begin on Monday, May 25 and run through Thursday, May 28.

Cops 'n Robbers

May 5 8:40 a.m. Car reported on fire; Martin Fire Dept. called and extinguished fire. 9:00 a.m. Student reported using University postage paid envelope. 6:01 p.m. Student with broken ankle transported to Volunteer General Hospital and Obion County General Hospital. 8:50 p.m. Keys found in lock in Brehm Hall; later returned to owner. 9:30 p.m. Pistol confiscated from student stating suicidal intentions. May 6 2:00 a.m. Light switch in Fieldhouse had no protective cover. 8:20 p.m. Bicycle found near baseball field. 8:40 p.m. Ellington desk clerk turned in carrying case. May 7 12:10 a.m. Safety hazard at Fine Arts reported. 12:39 a.m. Power outage on campus. 1:00 a.m. Male found urinating outside McCord. 1:00 a.m. Open house violations in Clement. 1:23 a.m. False fire alarm at Atrium. 1:33 a.m. Open house violations at McCord. 1:35 a.m. Window in G-H broken by Coke bottle thrown through it. 2:28 a.m. False fire alarm in G-H. 5:10 p.m. Student reported missing binoculars. 5:15 p.m. Student reported clothes missing from vehicle. May 8 1:07 a.m. Student reported	being assaulted. 6:55 a.m. Staff found fire extinguisher in Austin Peay driveway. 11:00 a.m. Student reported missing horse trailer; later returned. 2:15 p.m. Student reported lost purse. 3:45 p.m. Student reported theft of money from dorm room. May 9 12:20 a.m. False fire alarm at Austin Peay. 12:21 a.m. Disturbance reported at G-H. 10:36 a.m. Student reported slashed tires. 12:53 a.m. Student reported theft of bicycle. 4:15 p.m. Student reported theft of tape player from vehicle. May 10 12:30 a.m. Purse turned in; later returned to owner; owner reported money missing. 12:30 a.m. Billfold turned in; later returned to owner. 1:24 a.m. Student cited for no driver's license violation. 4:00 p.m. Staff reported student with library book that was not checked out; returned to library. 5:41 p.m. Student reported missing guitar. 8:10 p.m. Student reported missing bicycle. May 11 12:05 a.m. Room searched for marijuana; search unfruitful. 7:08 a.m. Student reported shattered windshield. May 12	10:16 p.m. Room searched for marijuana; trace evidence found. May 13 5:42 a.m. State flag missing from flag pole in front of administration building. 8:45 p.m. Disturbance reported at McCord. 9:16 p.m. Student reported receiving threatening phone call. May 14 9:45 a.m. Staff claimed bicycle found on May 6. 1:30 a.m. Safety and Security received prank phone calls. 1:48 a.m. Bicycle found near Browning Hall. 7:50 a.m. Student reported theft of money from dorm room. May 15 3:07 a.m. Bicycle found near University Center. 1:50 p.m. Student reported broken windshield. May 16 12:38 p.m. Visitor reported damage to auto. 5:58 p.m. Student reported broken window at PE Complex. 6:50 p.m. Student reported theft of money from dorm room. 10:03 p.m. Student reported being locked inside apartment. May 17 12:57 a.m. Beer confiscated from student. 4:18 a.m. Student reported unknown person entered dorm room. 8:30 a.m. Phone receiver found near Clement Hall. 12:28 p.m. Coke vending machine reported vandalized. 8:10 p.m. Malfunctioning commodes reported at Atrium. 11:45 p.m. Keys found in lock in Fine Arts Building; later returned to owner. 11:58 p.m. Staff reported theft of money from desk. May 18 12:20 p.m. Student reported missing watches, calculator, camera, money from dorm room. 8:05 p.m. Student reported theft of money from PE Complex locker. 9:30 p.m. Tie found in Fieldhouse.
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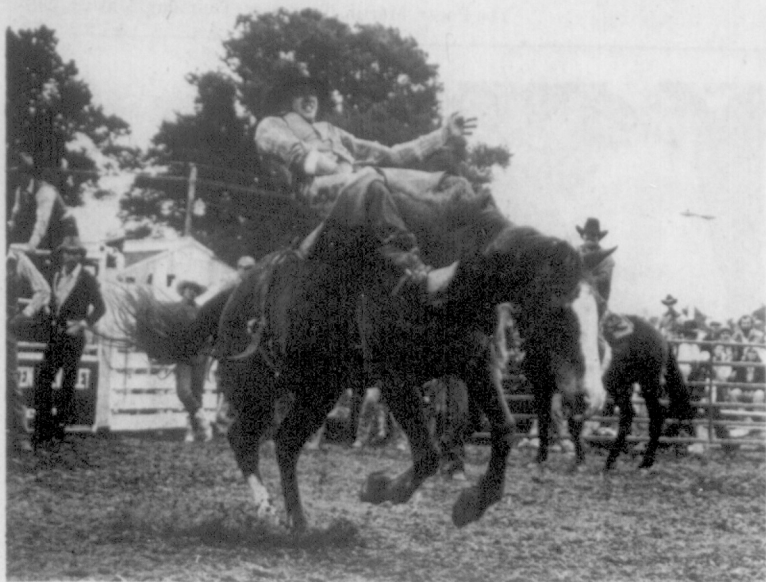
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First Annual

Colors Fly in Rodeo-Race

The First Annual Round-up Road Race ran with flying colors this past weekend as it played a most definite part in Martin's Round-up Race and Rodeo. Saturday's run, which was sponsored by the Martin Bank and UTM's Physical Education Fraternity, Sigma Delta, was composed of two events: a Fun Run (1.2 miles) and a 10K Run (6.2 miles). A running course through Martin was designed for both of the runs.

"There was tremendous cooperation from the community, PE majors, other UTM students and the campus police, thus making the run pass smoothly," commented Race Coordinator Dr. Gracie Purvis.

There were 62 individuals involved in the day of running, in which all of the runners finished their designated run.

The Fun Run had 11 participants that entered the 1.2 mile course. The winner of this event was 14-year old Murray Harber in the men's division with a time of 8:42. UTM runner Nancy Barnes pulled a first place in the women's division with a time of 11:33.

The 10K Run had 45 male and 6 female participants. Amy Hudson, UTM student, ran a time of 42:53 which helped her gain first in the women's division. UTM Professor Dr. Phil Davis and

UTM student Mike "Pearl" Harber both ran in a first place in the men's division with an identical time of 32:23.

In the team division, "Athletes Out of Action," composed of UTM students Mike Harber, Phil Davis, Ken Oaks and Chris Fessenden, pulled a combined time of 2:18:26, to place first.

Winners received trophies, medals and ribbons according to their event. They also rode in the Round-up parade later that morning.

"We're very pleased with the race and plan on continuing the event in the years to come," concluded Dr. Purvis.



Mesimer extends his talent as he rides a second place win on the bull.

'Remarkable' Athlete Nominated

Barry Joyce, a 6-2, 220-pound junior linebacker for The University of Tennessee at Martin football team, has been nominated for the Gulf South Conference Commissioner's Trophy, announced UTM Athletic Director Ray Mears.

"Barry is probably the most remarkable young man that I've ever been associated with in my 25 years of coaching," said Mears. "He is a great athlete, a good student and is involved in a lot of school activities. He has great leadership capabilities."

Joyce has been a standout on the football field for UTM, having started at linebacker for two seasons. He was chosen Gulf South Conference "Defensive Player of the Week" during 1980 season.

The Murfreesboro, Tenn., native also excels in the

classroom at UT-Martin. He has a fine 3.25 grade point average in industrial management and has been chosen to the All-GSC Academic Team twice.

At UTM Joyce is also involved in numerous other activities. He is chief justice of the Student Government Association and is a member of the Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity, plus the Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honor society.

Joyce serves as the G-H Hall Association President and is an Undergraduate Alumni Council member. The 20-year old is a non-voting member of the Athletic Committee of The University of Tennessee Board of Trustees and also a member of the University of Tennessee at Martin Athletic Board.

Joyce has also been

appointed to the UTM Recreational Sports Council and is an active member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

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events. Pederson took hold of the breakaway calf roping and placed in one other event. Overall, UTM team members won six of nine events to keep them undefeated in eight rodeos of the Ozark Region this year.

Bob Young, regional director of the Ozark Region, said the school leads in team competition, followed by Murray State University. The UTM women's team pulled right behind Murray State with their win on Sunday. Their last chance to catch up will be in two weeks as they meet again in Warrensburg, Missouri.

All UTM team members participated over the weekend with these members winning their individual events: John Mark Pickett in steer wrestling, Mesimer in bareback bronc riding, Tony Coleman in saddle bronc riding, Mark Curry in calf roping, Lee Gragg in women's barrel racing, and Pederson in women's breakaway calf roping.

The money raised at the rodeo will help support the team and pay travel expenses since very little financial support comes from the university. The

team members organize their own program and pay most of their own expenses.

"They run 90 percent and I run 10 percent," said Dr. Robby Robinson, one of the UTM rodeo team advisors.

Among the rodeo competition itself, some spectator competition played a big part during the weekend of activities.

Janice Gatlin, representing Alpha Delta Pi Sorority, was able to collect the most one-cent votes and become "Miss Cow Pattie."

Three representatives of the AGR Fraternity showed enthusiasm and drive as they managed to win the "Cow Milking Contest." Representatives from the UTM football team pulled a close second.

"We felt the overall rodeo was a great success. We really appreciate all the help and participation we had from the public. We'd just like to say thanks to all who supported us," concluded Rodeo Club President Mark DeSisto.

Warner Makes 'First-Rate Staff'

Mike Warner, head basketball coach at Ft. Campbell, (Ky) High School, has been named graduate assistant coach at The University of Tennessee at Martin, announced UTM basketball coach Art Tolis.

Warner, a 26-year-old native of Tallahassee, Fla., has been at Ft. Campbell High School for four years—the last two as head coach.

Prior to his coaching days, Warner was a standout basketball player at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, Ky., where he played for the Hilltoppers for three seasons—two as a starter at forward.

Warner played at Brevard Junior College in Cocoa, Fla., as a freshman and was named to the honorable mention All-America and All-State junior college teams. He helped Brevard J.C. win the 1972-73 Florida state championship and finish sixth nationally among junior colleges.

During his high school career, Warner also won honorable mention All-America and All-State honors at Rickards High School in Tallahassee, Fla., as a senior.

"I recruited Mike at Western Kentucky," said Tolis of his new assistant coach. "When this job came open, I didn't consider anyone else. I have known Mike for a long time and I know he will do a good job for us."

"I am extremely happy that Mike will be joining us. With the addition of Tom Hancock and Mike, I feel we will have a first-rate staff." Tolis said that Warner will have numerous duties as a graduate assistant coach at UTM.

"His responsibilities will be on-the-floor coaching, dorm supervision and monitoring academics," said Tolis. "He will also do a lot of

drill work with our big men—Darrell Smith and Larry Brooks."

Warner said he was excited about the chance of joining his former coach at UT-Martin.

"I think it is a great opportunity Coach Tolis has offered me," said Warner. "I think I will learn a lot. I just hope I can come in and do a good job. It is a nice campus and I'm looking forward to it."

Warner is a bachelor.

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McClurkan Plans Network

By CYNTHIA DURHAM
Student Writer

Mac McClurkan views his new job as the Student Government Association secretary of communications as a news agency with the responsibility to get all the information, "no matter how trivial or how important," out to the students of UTM.

The new SGA cabinet member outlined his plans for his term as part of a four-part "Campus-wide Communications Network."

"The Campus-wide Communications Network, which I dubbed CCN, is a Ted Turner and the Cable News Network, is just some random ideas I had about what this office should do,"

McClurkan said.

The first part of McClurkan's plan involves opening communications lines with the dorms through the hall councils.

"There's been a big gap between the dorm hall councils and SGA. There's been virtually no communication between the two," he stated.

McClurkan and Brad Hurley have been working with the Constitution Revision Committee to add a new responsibility to Congress representatives from the dorms. This would involve required attendance at the weekly hall council meetings. McClurkan feels that this would give dorm residents a better opportunity to give SGA more

feedback.

The student from Nashville would also like to extend SGA information to students who live off-campus.

"Right now, I'm trying to get some ideas together where I can get the area newspapers and fix it so we can have a specific place to tell what's going on with SGA and the students of UTM."

"I would like to work alongside of Ron Harrell of University Relations and on my own to get this worked out with the area newspapers," McClurkan explained.

This would be like the News Notes sent out weekly to The Pacer, he stated.

McClurkan also has plans for Greeks and members of other organizations.

"I would like to send out a quarterly in-depth newsletter covering a variety of

things that are going on in SGA...an insider's point of view," he explained.

The new secretary of communications plans for this to stimulate involvement among organization members by providing them with information about committees and necessary contacts for campus-wide participation.

"With a little bit of care put to that, it will enable the Greeks to have a better idea of what is going on, because it seems like people in organizations are the ones to get out and do things on campus. Of course, Independents do, too. But you can see it a little easier with the Greeks," McClurkan stated.

McClurkan also expects to see more committee involvement with his office. He stated that the publicity committee will be used more effectively by helping put up signs and similar work.

Later in his term, he thinks other committees will be formed and rejuvenated.

The new cabinet member is already busy with activities for this quarter. He stated that SGA will be sponsoring a movie at the Volunteer Twin Cinema for students. "Excalibur" will be shown May 21 at 11 p.m. The new Freshman Guide to important phone numbers and restaurants, among other information, is being developed.

"Tracy left everything in very good order," he stated about his predecessor, Tracy Davis. "I think the new administration will make my job easier," McClurkan added. "Everybody's enthusiastic and eager to work. So far, we've had very positive feedback (from the students), but after the 'honeymoon' is over, the test will come."



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Lady Pacers Compete for Title

The University of Tennessee at Martin women's tennis team participated in the AIAW Region II, Division II Tournament at The Univer-

sity of North Carolina, Charlotte, May 14-16.

UTM's number one singles player, sophomore Marie Veitch, scored the Lady Pacers only point in the competition by defeating Medina of High Point College 6-3, 6-3 and Dunn of Guilford College 6-7, 6-3, 6-4 before losing to Winthrop's Holland 6-3, 6-3 in the third round of the consolation bracket.

The tourney included participants from Kentucky, North Carolina, South

Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia.

Coach Laurie Lynn was pleased with the performance of her team against the region's stiff competition. "We had several matches go three sets but could not manage to pull the third set out," said Lynn. "I am proud of the point that Marie Veitch earned by winning two consolation matches. The entire team, despite our youth, did a fine job in competing at the Regional level."

Council Selects

By DONNA HAWKINS
Student Writer

The Undergraduate Alumni Council, which offers services to the undergraduate to stimulate interest and participation in the progress of UTM, chose 22 new members on April 15.

The UAC, which was established in 1973, is a strictly service-oriented organization which hopes to develop a better student-alumni relationship thus leading to a more active and interested alumni.

The new members are Jane Armor, junior from Schoolcraft, Mich.; Jeff Batts, freshman from Union City; Patsy Bowen, junior from Newbern; Suzie Bronk, senior from Nashville; Angela Chapman, sophomore from Brownsville and Robert Clendenin, junior from Union City.

Also included are Mark J. Evans, junior from Franklin; Denise Hayes, freshman

from South Fulton; Lynne Hayes, sophomore from Memphis and Helen Henry, junior from Memphis.

Others chosen were Barry Joyce, junior from Murfreesboro; Mark D. King, sophomore from Memphis; Lee Ann Lindholm, freshman from Memphis; Alesia

McCloud, freshman from Mountain City and Bernetta D. Mosley, senior from Memphis.

Other new members are Jennifer Neely, sophomore from Middleton; Diane Overton, junior from Atoka; Joe Sage, sophomore from Union City and Jennifer Sanders, junior from Bells.

Also chosen were Cynthia Gay Smith, sophomore from Jackson; Beth Spangler, freshman from Germantown and Anita "Jo" Young, freshman from Springville.

Their first activities as new members included helping with Junior Honors Day and Mayfest.

'Pork Sausage Issue'

Sasser Questions USDA

For 20 years, Jakes Brothers Sausage Company in Joelton, Tenn., has called its product "smoked pork sausage."

That has always seemed reasonable, considering the fact that their product is made by smoking pork sausage.

But the U.S. Department of Agriculture has now decreed that the product be called "smoked sausage made with pork," a move that has left Senator Jim Sasser exasperated.

"This is one of the most patently ridiculous examples of regulatory excess imaginable," Sasser said. "I can't believe that USDA inspectors have nothing better to do than come up with absurd label changes."

Sasser has fired off a letter to Agriculture Secretary John R. Block requesting an investigation of the regulation cited by the inspector in ordering the label change—USDA Regulation 319.160.

"The history of Tennessee does not record any irreparable damage being suffered by our citizens from the labeling of our hickory-smoked pork sausage as smoked pork sausage," Sasser wrote to Block. "In fact, the name seems to make sense considering the contents of the product."

"As a successful hog farmer and former Director of Agriculture for the State of Illinois, I would be most interested in determining what you call pork sausage in your state."

Sasser explained that Jakes Brothers has been producing smoked sausage for the past 20 years, using the same ingredients: pork, salt, red pepper, sage, dextrose, sodium chloride, sodium nitrite, monosodium glutamate and black pepper.

"Only five years ago, USDA approved both the formula and method of preparation used by Jakes Brothers for their smoked pork sausage," he added.

Recently, Sasser said, a USDA staff officer directed

Jakes Brothers to resubmit for approval its sausage label "showing change in formula by deleting sodium nitrite which is not an acceptable ingredient or show change in product name to read: Smoked Sausage made with pork. Complying with section 319.160 of the Meat regulations."

"Anyone who makes smoked pork sausage, or as the Department of Agriculture would have it, smoked sausage with pork, knows that sodium nitrite is an essential preservative—one that, until recently, Jakes Brothers had used with approval for 20 years," Sasser said.

"Ellis Jakes, who contacted me on this matter, has indicated that it wouldn't be an expensive matter to change the label on his sausage," Sasser noted, "but feels, quite justifiably, that this regulation should be challenged as a matter of principle."

In his letter to Block, Sasser's request for an investigation is accompanied by a request for "a report of what has transpired in the Department of Agriculture that would require a change in labeling backed by two centuries of tradition in Tennessee."

Cheerleaders Travel

By DONNA HAWKINS
Student Writer

The new UTM cheerleaders will be going to Knoxville Aug. 10-14 to compete and learn new cheers with cheerleaders from all over the country at the National Cheerleaders Association camp.

The 1981-1982 cheerleaders were named April 27 after a week of clinics and tryouts. Six girls and three guys were chosen from 23 that tried out.

Chosen were Susan Hinkle, junior from Clarksville; Diane Overton, sophomore from Atoka; Marsha Ridley, sophomore from McKenzie; and Dana Barber, sophomore from Memphis.

Also chosen were Shari Lashlee, sophomore from Dallas; Mike Robertson, sophomore from Memphis; Terry Davis, freshman from

Memphis; Jeff Turner, freshman from Germantown; and Chance Hughes, freshman from Fairview.

According to Charles Rayburn, the cheerleader's sponsor, from now until the end of the quarter, the cheerleaders will be practicing twice a week, trying to reorganize and preparing for football season in the fall.

"The main priority for the cheerleaders this year will be spirit at home from the students and also from the outside people," Rayburn added.

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